MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalhulam I*) ; May I know whether there are toll-gates attached to each of these subsidiary toll-gates ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I may claim notice for all these questions.

Malaria Relief Works.

102. * MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) who has been in charge of the malaria relief works in the Nedumangad and Neyyattinkara taluks ;

(*b*) how many miles of roads were constructed in the Neyyattinkara taluk in connection with the malaria relief works ;

(*c*) how many miles of roads were constructed in the Nedumangad taluk in connection with the malaria relief works ; and

(*d*) whether they are aware that the construction of Chayam-Perungamala trace, Kallara-Aruvipuram trace, Kottakkagam-Arianad trace, Arianad-Iringayil trace, and Veeranakavu trace as cart roads are necessary works to be taken up in connection with malaria relief works in the Nedumangad taluk ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : (*a*) The P. W. D. and Medical Departments. No relief works have been undertaken in the Nedumangad taluk.

(*b*) $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles of roads have been improved.

(*c*) None.

(*d*) Government do not think so.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know from the Government whether the malaria affected people of those localities are given medical aid by the Government because those people find it very difficult to go and get medical aid ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I do not think there is any difficulty in going to any of the dispensaries for obtaining medical relief.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know whether the Government are aware that people who inhabit the interior parts of the Nedumangad taluk and who are severely suffering from malaria are seven or eight miles away from the hospital sites?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I believe in these cases relief is taken to them by the Medical Department.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know from the Government whether the Medical Department have taken any such relief at any time in the Nedumangad taluk to the interior parts of that taluk ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads Buildings and Irrigation*) : I believe that is being done, Sir.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : It is not a question of belief of the member, Sir. My question was on what date or dates the Medical Department took medical aid to the interior parts of the Nedumangad taluk ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) ; I claim notice.

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MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to consider the question of affording medical relief also to the poor people who are suffering from malaria and who, due to the absence of roads, are now unable to receive medical aid now afforded by the Government?

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): On a point of order, Sir. Is Mr. Truscott a medical man?

PRESIDENT: Partly; because, P. W. D. and Medicine have been jumbled together in one question. We have a mixture of the two Departments. Either of the two, the Chief Engineer or the Director of Public Health, had to take up the question. If the Director of Public Health had taken it up, he too would have been put to the same difficulty as Mr. Truscott is being put to now.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): When an honourable member puts a question, is it open to any member, other than the one representing the Department concerned, to answer such question?

PRESIDENT: Next question, please.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): The Chief Engineer has not yet answered my question, Sir.

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to enquire whether the people residing in the interior undergo serious inconvenience due to the absence of roads leading to the dispensaries?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): It is a question of future action, Sir.

Transfer of a teacher in the Kuriyipuzha Primary School.

103. * MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any vacancy occurred in the Kuriyipuzha Primary School between 1st Edavam 1110 and 31st Kanni 1111;

(*b*) whether any teacher from the Kuriyipuzha Primary School was transferred to the Lower Grade Training School, Quilon;

(*c*) if so, when; and

(*d*) whether the transfer was effected at the request of the teacher concerned?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) & (*d*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*) above.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): With reference to part (*a*), may I know whether it was a permanent vacancy?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) No, Sir.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Then, what was the nature of the vacancy?

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